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## AUSTRIA READY TO STRIKE AT RUSSIA Japan May Go to Aid of Great Britain in European Conflict

LONDON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Mobilization of the Russian forces is progressing with feverish haste. Dispatches from Reuter's say that it is believed in St. Petersburg that Austria will formally declare war upon Russia today. The ultimatum delivered by Germany yesterday calling upon Russia to explain within twenty-four hours its purpose in mobilizing its armies, has not yet been answered.

### FORCES OF THE CZAR ARE READY FOR WAR MOVE BY AUSTRIA

Danube Is Crossed By Austrians, Who Capture City of Semlin; Cattaro, Austrian Seaport, Occupied By Montenegrin Forces.

LONDON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—According to the Central News, notice was posted today which virtually closes Portsmouth Harbor to privately owned craft. This is taken as a precautionary measure to avert the sinking of obstructions to the entrance of the harbor and the serious crippling of Great Britain's great naval base.

It is at Portsmouth that the great naval drydocks and supply base for England's navy are maintained.

It is announced here today that two Germans suspected of being spies were arrested on the Isle of Wight yesterday.

Germany continues its active preparations. There was a midnight session of the German cabinet at Potsdam. The conference was presided over by Emperor William and matters of the gravest import to the nation in the present crisis and impending conflict were discussed, according to reports reaching here.

Germany has ordered a strict censorship of all telegraph lines. This act is interpreted here as implying that preparations for the mobilization of the German forces is now well under way.

### AUSTRIANS CROSS THE DANUBE AND CAPTURE FORTIFIED CITY OF SEMLIN

LONDON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—A Semlin dispatch to the Standard, received today says: "The Austrians have crossed the Danube, thirty miles east of Belgrade and captured the City."

Semlin is a fortified city in Slavonia on the Danube and has a population of about twelve thousand persons.

### PRICES TUMBLE WHEN THOUSANDS OF SHARES ARE DUMPED ON PANICKY NEW YORK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Prices in the stock market broke all the way from six points to seventeen points in nearly all securities yesterday in an overturn of one million three hundred thousand shares of stock. This was the most drastic decline since the panicky days of 1907.

Securities were poured into the pit with apparently no effort to back up the market and prices went tumbling at an alarming rate. The panicky condition was heightened by the report of continued heavy exports of gold.

There was talk of closing the exchange, but no action was taken. From Chicago come reports that an excited condition existed on the exchange there, wheat advancing several points at the outset, but reacting later in the day, which was marked by feverish trading.

### MONTENEGRIN FORCES ENTER FRAY AND OCCUPY CATTARO, AUSTRIAN SEAPORT

LONDON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—A special to the Daily Telegraph received today says that the Austrian seaport of Cattaro was occupied by the Montenegrin forces yesterday. Cattaro has a population of about three thousand. It is situated in the Austrian province of Dalmatia thirty-eight miles south-east of Ragusa.

### EUROPEAN BUSINESS IS AT STANDSTILL

LONDON, July 30.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The Bank of England raised the discount rate one point today in an endeavor to check the flow of gold to the continent. Many failures are reported since the continental situation assumed a threatening attitude, so that an almost total paralysis of business is noted. A majority of the continental bourses have been closed for several days and remain closed with but slight prospect of their renewing business until the situation relaxes.

### MARTIAL LAW DECLARED AT RUSSIAN SEAPORT

RIGA, Russia, July 30.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Martial law has been proclaimed in this city and all civil power taken away from the civil authorities. The town is in a state of panic on the part of the laymen, while the military give it the appearance of a war camp. The Riga harbor has been mined and during the past few days successful tests of the mine have been made by the naval authorities. A number of war vessels are in the harbor in a state of preparedness for movement on the shortest notice.

### Where Warring Forces Are Now In Conflict

Austrian Cavalry Forces (upper) Crossing the Danube on Pontons During Recent Maneuvers of Austrian Army, and Belgrade (lower), Former Capital of Serbia, Now Occupied by Austrian Troops.



### GERMANY MAKES DEMAND ON RUSSIA

Czar Given Twenty-four Hours to Answer What Is Looked Upon as Ultimatum.

BERLIN, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—What was practically an ultimatum was yesterday delivered by Germany to Russia and it is taken for granted that St. Petersburg will either ignore the demands made upon her or return a belligerent reply, thus precipitating actual hostilities. The German demands are that Russia answer within twenty-four hours the following questions:

"What is Russia's purpose in mobilizing her troops on the German and Austrian frontiers?"

"Is this warlike movement directed against Austria?"

"Is Russia willing to order a stoppage of the mobilization?"

Such peremptory interrogations, accompanied by a time limit for reply of only one day are generally regarded as tantamount to an ultimatum and it is not expected that Russia will regard the note otherwise.

At any rate there was no cessation of the military activity throughout Russia yesterday, according to the advices received, while the evident intentions of Germany are being made plain by the rush with which the mobilization of the German troops is being carried on. The regular army is prepared to move, down to the last shoelace, and troop trains are being loaded with men and munitions of war at all the interior garrison points. The garrisons along the French border are being heavily reinforced, and the same is true of the posts facing Russian territory. The various naval arsenals and supply depots are swarming with activity.

Nothing is known to the general public of the whereabouts of the German battleship fleet, but it is generally supposed that it is being concentrated in the vicinity of the Skager Rack, from which point it is prepared to enter the Baltic through the Kiel Canal should the Russian Baltic fleet be the object of the first attack, and is also within striking distance of the east coast of Great Britain.

Orders were issued yesterday to the first reserves to hold themselves in readiness to join the colors.

All foreign students at the German universities were notified yesterday to leave the Empire, and the exodus is already well under way.



### PRESIDENT TRIES TO AVERT STRIKE

Calls Conference of Railroad Managers and Employees in Hope of Preventing Tie Up of Traffic.

CHICAGO, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—In a final effort to prevent a railroad strike which will affect more than fifty thousand men, and probably tie up most of the railroads of the East, President Wilson has summoned the general managers of the railroads affected, together with a committee of representative citizens and the federal mediators. They are to confer with him at the White House Sunday in the hope of finally reaching an agreement.

### READY FOR FINAL TESTS OF PANAMA CANAL LOCKS

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Colonel Goethals announced yesterday that the steamer Cristoforo Colombo will make the trip through the Panama Canal Monday, passing from Colon to Balboa for the purpose of finally testing the operation of the locks.

### DANIELS PLANS THREE BIG SHIPS

New Dreadnoughts Will Cost \$7,800,000 Each and Be Largest In Navy.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Secretary of the Navy Daniels yesterday signed the contract for plans for three dreadnoughts. The cost of the vessels, exclusive of armor and armament is limited to \$7,800,000 each.

Each of the new fighting ships will be thirty-one feet longer and have 4500 tons greater displacement than the dreadnought Nevada, which was recently launched.

The speed of the new ships will be twenty-one knots an hour. The battery of each ship will include twelve fourteen inch guns, four submerged torpedo tubes and twenty-two five-inch rapid fire guns.

### HALF MILLION DOLLAR FIRE AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Fire last night destroyed the Grand Trunk Pacific pier and damaged the Colman dock. The damage is estimated to amount to five hundred thousand dollars.

### WAR CLOUDS UNITE BRITISH FORCES

Home Rule Controversy Is Deferred While People Rally to Defense of Country.

LONDON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The crisis which the British Empire faces has resulted in the dropping of all political differences and the temporary abandonment of the Home Rule legislation with the cheering consent of all the heretofore warring factions. Yesterday the house of commons cheered impartially for Premier Asquith and for the leader of the opposition, Bonar Law, when the two leaders spoke in agreement on the matter which has been threatening to bring about civil war in Ireland.

"We face a catastrophe of which it is impossible to measure either the dimensions or the ultimate effect," said the Premier, after the house had been formally notified by Sir Edward Grey, the minister for foreign affairs, that Russia had commenced the mobilization of her troops and that the prospects for peace were very black. The Premier then announced the postponement of the second reading of the bill to amend the Home Rule Bill, which amendment provided for the taking of a referendum in Ulster and the exclusion from the Home Rule provisions of those counties not agreeable to government from Dublin.

Bonar Law, leader of the Unionists and a bitter opponent of Home Rule, (Continued on Page Three)

### JAPAN MAY BE DRAWN INTO WAR

Diplomats at Washington Believe That Forces of Mikado Will Become Involved in European Conflict in Event That Its Ally, Great Britain, Is Pulled Into Vortex.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The possibility that Japan will become involved in the general war should its ally, Great Britain, be drawn into the threatened vortex in Europe, was discussed in diplomatic circles here last night.

The treaty between Japan and Great Britain of 1905, which was renewed in 1911, provides that the two countries shall support each other in the event of an attack or aggressive action against either nation in Eastern Asia or India by another Power.

In the event of this development Japan's naval forces, it is believed, would be retained in the Far East to co-operate with the Asiatic fleets of France and Great Britain in combating the Far Eastern naval forces of Germany and Italy.

### BRITISH ABANDONING USELESS VESSELS

HANKOW, China, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—In connection with the mobilization of the British Asiatic squadron at Wei-Hai-Wei, the unfortified base and coaling station across the Isthmus of Shantung, in the Yellow Sea, from the fortified German base at Kiaochow, the crews are being withdrawn from the small river gunboats flying the Union Jack and these vessels are to be interned in some Chinese port. None of the vessels are of service except for river duty and none mount anything larger than six-pounders. The three so far abandoned are the Snipe, Woodcock and Kinshas. The crews are to be taken aboard one of the cruisers of the fleet.

### WAR SPIRIT IS STRONG IN AUSTRIA

ISCHL, Upper Austria, July 30.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—With enthusiasm reigns in this city with the return of Emperor Franz Josef and the heir apparent to Vienna. The entire upper Austria is strongly inclined for war now that plans have advanced to such an extent.

### NETHERLAND FORCES ARE CALLED TO ARMS

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, July 30.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Notwithstanding its desire for peace, the Netherlands has called to the colors the army reserve, coast guards and the frontier guards. It is the desire of this country to be in a position to protect itself provided the war becomes general throughout Europe. However, every hope is held out that peace will finally be evolved.

### MAZATLAN WATER SUPPLY EXHAUSTED

MAZATLAN, Mexico, July 31.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The water supply of Mazatlan is exhausted. The evacuation of the city, which is one of the few points on the West Coast of Mexico yet in control of the Federal forces, is expected momentarily.